



Pasadena  
Intermediate  
School  
2006  
Term I  
Issue 1

# NEWSLETTER

## WELCOME

**Greetings Tenaa Koutou Katoa Talofa Lava  
Kia Orana Malo e Lelei Fakaalofa Lahi Atu  
Kamshor Namaste Bula Vinaka Ni Hao  
Taloha NI Konichi Wa**

Welcome to Pasadena. Welcome to those returning for a second exciting and profitable year. Welcome to those starting off on the Intermediate adventure.

## THANK YOU

A big vote of thanks must go to our Maintenance Officer Mr Tom Elliott and his team - Leonie Tawhiti, Hao Hu, Lixin Zhao and Fanolua Samu for the magnificent job they are doing keeping the playground and classrooms clean and helping to improve our total school environment.

## NEWSLETTERS

Four newsletters will be forwarded home on Wednesdays at approximately three weekly intervals. In addition to this Newsletter you can expect to receive others on 1 March, 22 March and 12 April.

Newsletters are also available on our website <http://www.pasadena.school.nz>

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

When space permits, we are happy to include Community Notices, particularly those pertaining to activities that involve our students and their families, in our Newsletters. Forward copy to, or enquire at the office.

## TERMS, HOLIDAYS 2006

The confirmed dates for Terms and Holidays for 2006 are as follows -

### TERMS

**ONE:** Wednesday 8 February - Thursday 13 April

**TWO:** Wednesday 26 April - Friday 30 June

**THREE:** Monday 17 July - Friday 22 September

**FOUR:** Monday 9 October - Thursday 21 December

### ADDITIONAL HOLIDAYS

Auckland Anniversary - Monday 30

January (In Holidays)

Waitangi Day - Monday 6 February (In Holidays)

Easter - Friday 14 - Tuesday 18 April (In Holidays)

ANZAC - Monday 25 April (In Holidays)

Queens Birthday - Monday 5 June

Labour Day - Monday 23 October

## UNIFORM

Pasadena Intermediate School colours are Navy Blue and Red. Pasadena Intermediate School does not have separate boy's and girl's uniforms or separate summer and winter uniforms.

Page 6 of the 2006 Prospectus and Calendar, page 23 of the 2006 Student Information Book and the Website, clearly detail the correct school uniform. Students select from these items according to the weather and their needs.

Jewellery is limited to watches and single studs for pierced ears. Other items, such as money belts and badges are not to be worn.

For safety reasons students must wear shoes when participating in lessons in the Technology Studios. All items of clothing and footwear must be named.

Uniforms are available from Pasadena Intermediate School Uniform Shop Hours: School Days 8:30am - 3:00pm

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION/SPORT/FITNESS

Children must get changed into their Physical Education uniform for all sporting activities - fitness, physical education lessons, syndicate sports, team practices and matches. Sports shoes are recommended for these activities.

During Term II and III students may wear plain red, white or blue sweat shirts and/or track pants prior to and during the pre-activity warm up and stretching.

## SCHOOL TEAMS AND GROUPS

Pasadena Intermediate School owns sets of team uniforms for various sports and activities that students selected to represent the school are able to borrow for the day. These uniforms are laundered at school and are not to be taken home. Parents/Caregivers will be asked to pay for items not returned.

## PARENT/CAREGIVER SUPPORT

We expect students to wear full and correct school uniform everyday and ask that parents/caregivers give us their full support. Parents/Caregivers of students who do not wear full and correct school uniform will be contacted.

We accept there may be an occasion when a complete and correct uniform cannot be worn. On these occasions parents/caregivers are asked to write and forward a note to the class teacher for each day an incomplete or incorrect uniform is being worn. Under no circumstances should your child not attend school because of an incomplete uniform. Students without full and correct school uniform, will be loaned for the day, uniform items from the School Uniform Bank.

Correct and complete school uniform is one of the categories that contributes to the inter class competition.

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Members of the Pasadena Intermediate School Board of Trustees are - Miki Walters (Chairperson), Tony Walsh (Secretary/Principal), Lisa White (Staff Trustee), Wanairangi Nopera (Maori Trustee), Luisa Paraha, Rees Tapsell, Pat Vale, Tim McCreanor (Whanau Representative).

The Board meets formally on at least 8 occasions, twice a term, during the year (see Calendar) and within the bounds of the Education Act (1989) and subsequent amendments and the Pasadena Intermediate School Charter, is responsible for school governance.

All Board Meetings are open to the public and copies of agendas, reports and minutes are available in the School Office for public inspection. Agendas for Meetings will be forwarded to requesting families on receipt of a stamped self addressed envelope.

The next meeting of the Pasadena Intermediate School Board of Trustees will be on Thursday 23 February at 7.00pm in the Principal's Office.

## SCHOOL & FAMILIES BBQ/ MEETING

**WEDNESDAY 15 FEBRUARY**

**COMMENCING AT 6.00PM  
UNDER THE SHADE AND  
THE UMBRELLAS!**

**TENNIS, VOLLEYBALL,  
BASKETBALL, CRICKET.  
THE POOL WILL BE OPEN.**

**BRING A PICNIC TEA.  
WE WILL PROVIDE A  
NUMBER OF BBQS FOR  
COOKING.**

**A RELAXED OPPORTUNITY  
FOR FAMILIES AND THE  
SCHOOL TO GET TOGETHER  
AND FOR TEACHERS AND  
PARENTS TO MEET.**



## JAPAN EXCHANGES / TRIPS

**HIROSHIMA HIGH SCHOOL JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL EXCHANGE - 11- 27 May 2006**

**TIERRA CORP. JUNIOR SUMMIT CAMP, USHIMADO, JAPAN - 2 - 17 July 2006**

During the 1990s Pasadena Intermediate School established relationships with Japanese schools and communities.

A number of Pasadena students have represented Auckland City at the Students' Convention in Fukuoka, Auckland's sister city, in Japan.

In the last twelve years a total of forty eight Pasadena students have attended a Junior Summit Camp at Ushimado.

In 1994, The Tierra Corporation, sponsors and operators of the camp, introduced Pasadena Intermediate to Hiroshima High School and in July of that year, Pasadena hosted twenty-eight students from Hiroshima High School for a day.

Following meetings and discussions, formal student exchanges between the two schools were commenced in 1995. To date a total of 168 Pasadena students have visited Japan as part of the Exchange Programme.

In 2006 there will be student exchanges with Hiroshima High School Junior High School and we hope Pasadena students will again attend the Junior Summit Camp and



The first of these exchanges will be in May when, travelling via Singapore, twenty students will fly to Hiroshima and will attend Hiroshima High School Junior High School for two weeks. During their stay the students will participate with their host school students for P.E., music, art and assembly, will have special Japanese classes, will participate with their host school students in English classes and will have a number of excursions to places of interest in the prefecture of Hiroshima. Students on this exchange will stay in hotels during the two stopovers in Singapore and will home-stay with Japanese families while in Hiroshima. The students will be accompanied by two Pasadena Intermediate staff members. The cost including all fares, accommodation, transfers and insurances will be approximately NZ\$2400

In August, Pasadena will host twenty students from Hiroshima High School Junior High School for a similar exchange.



Our Unitec / Kansai Gaidai University Japanese students will assist selected students and their families prepare for the exchange.



All students are eligible to apply for selection, but will be limited to one trip to Japan during their time at Pasadena Intermediate School.

Students will need their own passport and Parents/Caregivers will need to meet the costs of air travel, insurance, departure taxes and accommodation in Singapore.

Students will also need to provide a medical certificate indicating they have no illnesses or conditions that could cause them distress or difficulty while participating in the Exchange.

The selection committee for the Exchange and the Junior Summit Camp, the Principal, the Deputy Principal, the Assistant Principal and at least one teacher who has already visited Japan on one of these activities, will select the students who, in their view will

Represent their family, school and country well

Benefit from the total experience

Contribute to the quality of the experience of all on the Exchange/at the Camp

The selection process for the Exchange and the Junior Summit Camp will be the same.

Students who apply for selection will

Complete an Application Form

Prepare a written/pictorial display and make an oral presentation about life in New Zealand and Japan

Be tested on their New Zealand and Japan general knowledge and

Be interviewed about their reasons for wanting to visit Japan and participate in the Exchange/attend the Camp

Students short listed from the above will participate in a number of group activities before final selection.



Further information will be included in newsletters. A Powerpoint and an 'Info Album' about each trip are available for students considering applying, on our website, or to take home for their families to read and to view.

**These activities have proved to be outstanding learning experiences for the students who have participated and I would urge you to give consideration.**

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss the matter further.

## STAFF AND CLASSES 2006

For myself and on your behalf I would like to extend a very warm welcome to new staff members to Pasadena Intermediate - **Ms Sarah Percy**, Room 3 Teacher and **Ms Anna King-Ansell**, Room 11 Teacher, and a very warm welcome back to **Ms Belinda Cook** on a part time basis.

### **MANAGEMENT**

Mr Tony Walsh	Principal
Ms Priscilla Godinet	Deputy Principal
Mr Hendrik den Hartog	Assistant Principal
Ms Sarah Coughlan	Syndicate Manager
Miss Lisa White	Syndicate Manager

### **DIGNAN SYNDICATE**

Ms Sarah Coughlan	Room 2	Manager
Ms Sarah Percy	Room 3	
Miss Lucy Finlayson	Room 4	
Ms Priscilla Godinet	Room 5	

### **TE TOKAROA SYNDICATE**

Miss Lisa White	Room 8	Manager
Miss Julia Wackrow	Room 9	
Mr Chris Gore	Room 10	
Ms Anna King-Ansell	Room 11	
Miss Sue Paraha	Room 12	

### **SPECIALIST SYNDICATE**

Mr Hendrik den Hartog	Information & Communications	Technologies Manager
Mrs Sue Elliott	The Arts: Visual	
Ms Maureen Donnelly	The Arts: Performing	
Mr Martin Ball	Technology	
Ms Belinda Cook (.2)	Classroom Release	

### **LEARNING SUPPORT/EXTENSION**

Mrs Wendy Allan	
Mrs Joy Blake	
Ms Natalie Henry	
Miss Margaret Pringle	RTL B / 8A (Pasadena / Western Springs)

### **SUPPORT STAFF**

Mrs Linda Bowden	Administration Officer
	Hall Hire Manager
Mrs Louise Holmes	Secretary/Receptionist
Mr Tom Elliott	Maintenance Officer
Mrs Thelma Teesdale	Resource Manager
Mrs Leonie Tawhiti	Cleaner
Mr Hao Hu	Cleaner
Mr Lixin Zhao	Cleaner
Mrs Fanolua Samu	Cleaner
Mrs Carole Williams	Dental Nurse
Ms Ann Hays	Health Nurse (Auckland Health)
Mr Brian Ngamata	Attendance Officer (Auckland City Cluster)

### **CONTRACTED STAFF**

Ms Maggie McKenzie	Canteen
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## SUN PROTECTION

**HATS:** For obvious Health reasons, HATS ARE ESSENTIAL for outdoor activities during Terms I and M .



As you will have noted in the uniform list, Pasadena does have as part of its official uniform a baseball style cap and a full brimmed hat, at the 'at cost price' of \$15.00.

**SUNBLOCK:** This week we will again issue each class with a large pump bottle of Cancer Society approved, 30 Sun Block for student use.

If there are parents who don't wish their child to use the Sun Block, I would ask they advise their child's class teacher in writing.

## PHOTOGRAPHS

Individual and family portraits will be taken on Friday 10 March, class photographs will be taken on Friday 5 May and team and group photographs will be taken on Friday 24 November.

## STUDENT HEALTH

We have noted on a number of student enrolment records there are students with allergies and conditions which require special medication and treatment. If your child is one of these children we would be grateful if you would contact Mrs Louise Holmes, School Receptionist, to outline to her, treatment procedures.

**Help!**

Advanced notice, but we will be desperate for parent help, Outdoor Education Week.

5 -11 April (Just before Easter!) school and Auckland based. Further information will be forwarded to you soon, but if you could spare all or some of the above days and nights to assist, we would be extremely grateful.

## SCHOOL PROPERTY

The school has a policy of "abuser pays." Students who carelessly or wilfully damage school property or equipment will be asked to meet the cost of the repairs or a fair share of the replacement.

On the rare occasions when this does occur, parents/caregivers will receive an explanatory letter and a tax invoice to cover costs.

In addition to schools operating on very tight budgets, we see the development of personal responsibility as an important outcome of our school programme.

## DENTAL CLINIC

Mrs Carole Williams, the Dental Therapist for Pasadena Clinic, is currently working from the Westmere School Clinic. Ph 846-7882

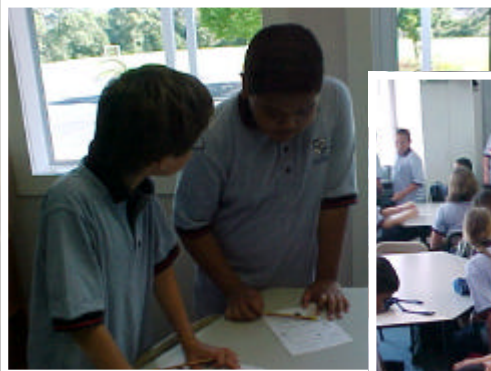
## ROAD SAFETY

In health programmes and in conjunction with the police, the school works to develop safe road practices and behaviours.

With the ever increasing volume and speed of traffic in our neighbourhood, I would encourage parents to be vigilant with their children on the roads.

Safe crossing of Great North Rd by our students is still a major concern.

**It is vital students wanting to cross Great North Rd, be it walking to or from school or leaving or to catch a bus, they use the light controlled pedestrian crossings - near the Premier Ave shops or in the Pt Chevalier Shopping precinct.**



**Day One 2006!**



# 2006 PASADENA SWIMMING SPORTS

1.00pm  
Friday 10 March 2006

All Welcome

## SCHOOL MOTTO

*"To The Diligent, Nothing Is Difficult."*

## HOURS

School is open for students from 8am.

**Please do not send or drop students at school before this time.**



We cannot be responsible for their safety and welfare.

## STATIONERY

This week your child will bring home their 2006 stationery requirements. All the stationery is available from school.

As you are aware there is a major price war being raged in the school stationery market. Through the bulk buying of our supplier, East-Shop, we believe our prices are very competitive. Our shop is run as a service to parents/caregivers, not as a profit making activity, and the stationery supplied is of the highest quality.

## CALENDAR TERM I 2006

Some of these dates differ from those published in the Prospectus. Other additions or alterations will be advised in Newsletters.

### TERM I

Waterwise  
Japanese Language Extension -  
Weeks 1-4

### **JANUARY**

- 31-3 School Uniform Shop open 9:00am - 1:00pm  
31 Auckland Anniversary

### **FEBRUARY**

- 6 Waitangi Day  
8 School opens for Term I  
15 School and Families BBQ / Meeting  
17 Official Opening of the new Native Garden  
20-28 Student Council Elections / Selections  
23 BoT Meeting  
27-6 P. A. and NZCER Tests  
27 2006 Hiroshima High School, Junior High School, Exchange, Information Meeting

### **MARCH**

- 7 Parents' Curriculum Information Meeting  
7 Zone Girls' Softball Tournament  
9 Zone Boys' Softball Tournament  
10 Individual Photographs  
10 Pasadena Intermediate School Swimming Sports  
13 2006 Hiroshima High School, Junior High School, Exchange Applications due  
14 Zone Boys' Cricket Tournament  
15 Zone Boys' Tennis Tournaments  
16 Term I Open Day  
16 Zone Girls' Tennis Tournaments  
17 Pasadena Intermediate School Duathlon  
21 Champion of Champions Boys' Softball Tournament  
21 Outdoor Education / Camp Week, Parent Helpers' Meeting  
21 2006 Hiroshima High School, Junior High School, Exchange, Parents/ Caregivers Meeting  
23 Zone Swimming Sports  
23 BoT Meeting  
24-26 40 Hour Famine  
28 Champion of Champions Girls' Softball Tournament  
30 Champion of Champions Tennis Tournament  
30 School Council Mufti Day  
31 Pasadena Intermediate School Talent Quest Finals

### **APRIL**

- 4 Zone Girls' Cricket Tournament  
4 University of NSW International Competitions & Assessments for Schools - Computer Skills  
5-11 Outdoor Education Week  
6 Champion of Champions Swimming Meet  
7 Zone Kilikiti Tournament  
13 Term I Task Presentation  
13 School Closes for Term I  
14-18 Easter  
25 Anzac Day

## SATURDAY NETBALL

**WE URGENTLY REQUIRE COACHES, MANAGERS AND A SUPERVISOR FOR OUR SATURDAY MORNING NETBALL TEAMS ENTERED IN THE THREE KINGS COMPETITIONS (Mt Roskill Intermediate)**

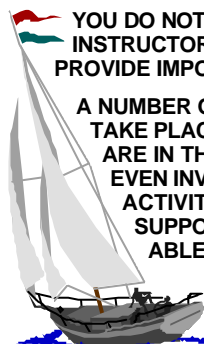
Please contact Mrs Linda Bowden, our Administration Officer, or Miss Lisa White, our Sports Manager, at school on 846-2169, if you can assist.



### **WE NEED PARENTS TO HELP WITH OUR SCHOOL WATERWISE PROGRAMME!!!!**

WATERWISE is a water skills and water safety programme run by parents for their children, teaching them how to be safe around Auckland's coastal area.

Our programme follows on from those provided by Pt Chevalier and Gladstone Schools - the other members of the Western Bays Waterwise Society. All Year 7 and 8 students will be participating in the programme.



**YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE AN INSTRUCTOR OR A SAILOR TO PROVIDE IMPORTANT HELP!**

**A NUMBER OF THE ACTIVITIES TAKE PLACE AT SCHOOL, SOME ARE IN THE POOL, SOME DON'T EVEN INVOLVE WATER ACTIVITY! WITHOUT PARENT SUPPORT WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO OPERATE YOUR CHILD'S CLASS WATERWISE PROGRAMME!**

For more information PLEASE contact MARTIN BALL - Evenings 818-8823 or at Pasadena - 846-2169, or your child's teacher.

Please see the table below .

### WATERWISE TERM I 2005 SAILING DATES, CLASSES & TIMES

Mr Martin Ball, Mr Richard Berry / Classroom Teacher/s / Trained Parent Helpers / Parent Helpers.

**TIMES:** Depart School - Return to School

WEEK	DATE	HIGH TIDE	TIMES	ROOMS
Tm I Week 3	Tuesday 21 February	1.44pm / 2.82m	10.00am / 3.00pm	2 and 3
Tm I Week 3	Wednesday 22 February	2.33pm / 2.76m	10.30am / 3.00pm	4
Tm I Week 3	Thursday 23 February	3.30pm / 2.73m	12.00pm / 3.00pm	5
Tm I Week 5	Monday 6 March	1.22pm / 3.15m	10.00am / 3.00pm	8 and 9
Tm I Week 5	Wednesday 8 March	3.10pm / 2.83m	11.30am / 3.00pm	12
Tm I Week 7	Thursday 23 March **	1.12pm / 2.77m	9.00am / 3.00pm	10 and 11
Tm I Week 9	Tuesday 4 April	11.56am / 3.01m	9.00am / 3.00pm	Spare
Tm I Week 9	Wednesday 5 April	12.48pm / 2.86m	9.00am / 3.00pm	OEd Week
Tm I Week 9	Thursday 6 April	1.42pm / 2.74m	10.00am / 3.00pm	OEd Week
Tm I Week 9	Friday 7 April	2.40pm / 2.64m	10.00am / 3.00pm	OEd Week
Tm II Week 2	Tuesday 2 May	10:41am / 3.02m	9.00am / 3.00pm	2 and 3
Tm II Week 2	Wednesday 3 May	11:30am / 2.90m	9.00am / 3.00pm	4 and 5
Tm II Week 2	Thursday 4 May	12:20pm / 2.79m	9.00am / 3.00pm	8, 9 and 12
Tm II Week 2	Friday 5 May	1:11pm / 2.69 m	9.00am / 3.00pm	10 and 11

## NATIVE GARDEN OPENING

In Term III 2005, Pasadena Students were challenged to prepare 'School Improvement Plans.' The ideas presented were varied and creative - uniform changes, video security, recycling, playgrounds, gardens, Foods Programme menu, covered heated swimming pool ...

The second part of the challenge was to cost and market the plan to the BoT.

At the September Meeting of the BoT, using a variety of media, models and persuasive techniques, students presented their ideas to the Board, hoping to secure funding.

After lengthy deliberations, the Board selected three plans.

The Native Garden Project was one of the three selected. With the Board funding and generous help of Mr Simon Stiles (Tippett Nurseries Ltd), Mr Murray Wagener (The Cobblestone Factory Ltd) and the Pt Chevalier Lions, in the final weeks of 2005, the Room 9 Students brought their vision to life!

The Students of Room 9 and Mr Simon Stiles will officially open the garden at a special ceremony, 10:45am, Friday 17 February 2006, parents/caregivers are cordially invited to join us for this special occasion.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### TAX CREDITS FOR FAMILIES

Up to 85,000 more New Zealand families will become eligible for Family Assistance from Inland Revenue from 01 April 2006. **Higher income limits** and a new **In-Work Payment** for eligible working families will mean that families who weren't previously eligible for Family Assistance may now find that they are. Anyone who thinks they may qualify for Family Assistance can go online to [www.workingforfamilies.govt.nz](http://www.workingforfamilies.govt.nz) or find out if they qualify by calling 0800 257 477

### METRO FOOTBALL CLUB

Enrolment date for Junior (6 -9 years) and Youth (10 - 17 years) on February 26 from 0900 and February 27 and 28 from 6.00p.m at clubrooms.

### OWAIRAKA SEA SCOUTS

The Owairaka Sea Scout group has spaces available for new members—Boys and Girls aged 10—15 yrs are welcome as are Adults as prospective Leaders.

If there is enough demand we would also like to re-establish Cub (8-10yrs) and Kea (6-8yrs) sections. We meet most Friday nights from 7p.m. until 9p.m. at the Scout Den in Murray Halberg Park Mt Albert.

Further details Mary 8464 162 or Keith 846 8434